

ABSTRACT

An image forming system, etc., which provides a user or the like with great convenience is achieved. For example, an image forming apparatus is usable as a color image forming apparatus for forming color images and is usable as a monochrome image forming apparatus for forming monochrome images, and by moving one developing unit among attached developing units to an attach/detach position, a developing unit becomes replaceable. A timing for moving the predetermined developing unit to the attach/detach position when an event occurs in which development cannot be performed with the predetermined developing unit is different for when the image forming apparatus is being used as a color image forming apparatus and for when the image forming apparatus is being used as a monochrome image forming apparatus. See Fig. 12, for example.